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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Douglas A. Hardy )  
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Serial No.: 09/833,005 )  
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Filed: April 12, 2001 )  
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Group Art Unit: 2136 )  
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Examiner: Eleni A. Shiferaw )  
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Title: **Method for Securely Providing Encryption** )  
**Keys** )

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**AMENDMENT A**

Sir:

This paper is filed in connection with a Request for Continued Examination and is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response that expired September 28, 2005. A petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time in which to respond and the requisite fee are filed herewith.

Please amend the application as follows.